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1                   AMENDMENT TO SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 62

2           AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Joint Resolution 62, AS  
3 AMENDED, by replacing everything after the heading with the  
4 following:

5           "WHEREAS, Emergency responders are constantly placed in  
6 danger while performing their duties, both from the dangerous  
7 conditions of their work and the hazardous locations where  
8 incidents occur; and

9           WHEREAS, On March 5, 2013, Hudson Community Fire Protection  
10 District volunteer firefighter Chris Brown was struck and  
11 killed by a motorist while working at the scene of a motor  
12 vehicle collision; and

13           WHEREAS, On October 30, 2013, Pontiac Police Department K9  
14 Officer Casey Kohlmeier was struck and killed by a drunk driver  
15 while performing his duties on Interstate 55; and

1           WHEREAS, Many other emergency responders have been killed,  
2 injured, or placed in needless danger by similar incidents; and

3           WHEREAS, More comprehensive solutions are required to  
4 ensure that emergency responders are able to safely perform the  
5 vital duties they carry out for the citizens of our State;  
6 therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
9 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Emergency  
10 Responder Roadway Safety Task Force to identify and recommend  
11 ways that the State of Illinois can increase the safety of  
12 emergency responders while they perform their duties; and be it  
13 further

14           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of the  
15 following members: one member appointed by the Speaker of the  
16 House of Representatives; one member appointed by the Minority  
17 Leader of the House of Representatives; one member appointed by  
18 the President of the Senate; one member appointed by the  
19 Minority Leader of the Senate; 2 members appointed by the  
20 Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation, one of  
21 which must be currently employed as a highway maintainer with  
22 the Illinois Department of Transportation; one member

1 appointed by the Director of the Illinois State Police; one  
2 police officer from a county with a population of less than  
3 60,000 citizens appointed by an association that represents law  
4 enforcement; one police officer from a county with a population  
5 between 60,000 and 1,000,000 citizens appointed by an  
6 association that represents law enforcement; one police  
7 officer from a county with a population of more than 1,000,000  
8 citizens appointed by an association that represents law  
9 enforcement; one firefighter from a county with a population of  
10 less than 60,000 citizens appointed by an association that  
11 represents firefighters; one firefighter from a county with a  
12 population between 60,000 and 1,000,000 citizens appointed by  
13 an association that represents firefighters; one firefighter  
14 from a county with a population of more than 1,000,000 citizens  
15 appointed by an association that represents firefighters; one  
16 emergency medical services personnel from a county with a  
17 population of less than 60,000 citizens appointed by an  
18 association that represents emergency medical services  
19 personnel; one emergency medical services personnel from a  
20 county with a population between 60,000 and 1,000,000 citizens  
21 appointed by an association that represents emergency medical  
22 services personnel; one emergency medical services personnel  
23 from a county with a population of more than 1,000,000 citizens  
24 appointed by an association that represents emergency medical  
25 services personnel; one member appointed by the Executive  
26 Director of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; and one

1 member appointed by the Professional Towing and Recovery  
2 Operators of Illinois; the members of the Task Force shall  
3 select a chairperson at the initial meeting; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Illinois State Police shall provide  
5 administrative and other support to the Task Force; and be it  
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That the members of the Task Force shall serve  
8 without compensation; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall submit a report of its  
10 findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later  
11 than January 1, 2015."